

Tyrconnel's SPEECH to his Privy Council,

Made upon the
(Expected)
Landing of the Late King James in Ireland.

With Remarks upon it.

My Lords,

THE Necessity of our Affairs, at present, require your most sedate Consideration, when Matters of less moment are soon weighed without any great matter of Debate. We are not only blamed, but Threatned from *England*, for continuing the Sword in our Hands; and it is declared, That upon our Refusal to lay it down, We shall be proceeded against as *Traitors* to that Government. King *James*, whom we shall ever Acknowledge our Royal Master, (nor do we think our selves oblig'd to own any other *Monarch* over us) has sent us no such Orders; but, on the contrary, has laid his Royal Commands upon us, to continue our Men in Arms, and use all our Industry to increase Discipline, and encourage our Souldiery, with his Princely Promise to Assist us with Men and Arms from *France*; and not only that, but an Assurance of his Royal Presence here; which will so enliven the hearts of all his *Catholick* Subjects, that I hope we need have no Apprehensions, but that we shall be able to Secure our Religion and Liberties against all Opposers, according to the ancient Custom of this Kingdom: My Lords, In pursuance of these Commands, we have seized the *Protestant* Effects in this Kingdom, for the paying and encouraging our Army; and have given them such Liberty of Quarters, and otherwise, that we are afraid the Consequence may prove injurious to Us, as well as the *Protestant* People, who are fled from their Lands and Houses; and we begin already to believe that a Famine threatens us. It is our business therefore to consider of a Fund to Maintain our Army, (for when Tenants are incapacitated to pay, How can we expect it?) until we receive Supplies from *France*, which will not be wanting with the first opportunity: There is only one way, which is this; We must borrow from our selves awhile, to Serve the King, and the *Catholick* Cause, that it may return to him and us: My Lords, In the first place, I hope we are all of one Mind, as to keeping up our Army, notwithstanding the Threats from *England*. Secondly, We doubt not, but all of us have the same value for our Royal Master's Person and Religion, as well as the same Sense of his Misfortunes.. Thirdly, The Encouragement we have from *France*. Fourthly, Our Royal Master's Commands, and expectation of seeing him here.

Let these Things induce you to consider about a present Fund: I have laid the way before you, in a former part of my Discourse, and shall not be wanting as to my particular.

REMARKS.

THE Blackness of Tyrconnel's Cause, and Prosecution of it, is so apparent to all good men, that Remarks are almost needless. However, with what Face can he pretend to continue his Allegiance to the late King, when Ireland is a Dependant on England, by their own Establish'd Laws, and consequently involved in the same Obedience, and therefore in Allegiance bound to our present Sovereign Lord and Lady, King William and Queen Mary: And notwithstanding the undeniable Right in the community in Convention late assembled, of fixing the Crown; and therein the Legality of our present Sovereigns Title, 'tis Notoriously known, that by the Laws of the Land, a King even de facto is to be obeyed: But the World, sees through the cheat, as fair a and pretence of Loyalty, as is here started; Affairs have been so managed in this Kingdom, that the very same scene was most certainly expected there, whenever a Protestant Prince, even by Descent it self, had come to the Crown. For the Sword and Administration was put into the Romish hands for that purpose: And the *Catholick* cause, would have been as impudently asserted by downright Blood and Rebellion. Then, as 'tis by pretended Loyalty Now.

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